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SUBJ: TRAVELS OF FOREIGN MINISTER VIGNES

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1. ACCORDING TO UP STORY IN LA PRENSA AUG 9, DATELINED ASUNCION, GOA SPECIAL DELEGATION TO INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT STROESSNER WILL BE HEADED BY FOREIGN MINISTER ALBERTO VIGNES. OTHER MEMBERS ARE THE ARMY COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GENERAL RAUL CARCAGNO; THE NAVY COMMANDER IN CHIEF, ADMIRAL CARLOS ALVAREZ; THE AIRFORCE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, LIEUTENANT GENERAL HECTOR FAUTARIO; THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, ITALO LUDER; THE PRESIDENT OF THE CORRESPONDING HOUSE COMMITTEE, LUIS FERNANDEZ VALONI; THE AMBASSADOR IN ASUNCION, JOSE MARIA ROSA; AMBASSADOR GUILLERMO DE LA PLAZA (EX-DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICY); AMBASSADOR FRANCISCO MOLINA SALAS (ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICY); AND MINISTER PABLO DEL PINO (ACTING DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIAL) AND VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE ARGENTINE EMBASSY STAFF IN ASUNCION. THE DELEGATION IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE ON SUNDAY AUG 12 AND REMAIN THROUGH THE THREE-DAY PROGRAMS, PROBABLY RETURNING AUG 16.

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2. EMBASSY, IN EFFORT TO CONFIRM, WAS REFERRED BY FOREIGN OFFICE

(TAUREL) TO SAME ARTICLE. TAUREL SAID MINISTRY HAS MADE NO
RELEASE HERE AND THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO DATE.

3. PRESIDENT LASTIRI'S SCHEDULED TRIP TO ANTARCTICA HAS BEEN
POSTPONED TO FRIDAY AUG 71 BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER, ACCORDING TO
AIR FORCE ANNOUNCEMENT. CABINET AND THE THREE CINC'S REPORTEDLY
WILL ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT. WHILE FONMIN VIGNES DID NOT
APPEAR IN LATEST RELEASES BEFORE POSTPONEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S
TRIP (PROBABLY BECAUSE OF CONFLICT WITH VIGNES' TRIP TO ASUNCION),
HE WOULD NOW PRESUMABLY BE FREE TO GO TO THE ANTARCTIC WITH THE
PRESIDENT IF TRIP IS MADE ON AUG 17, WHICH ALSO IS ARGENTINE
NATIONAL HOLIDAY.
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